## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. An information managing system including an information managing server for distributing provided information, and a terminal for exchanging information with said information managing server, comprising:
- said information managing server comprises
  registration means for registering information to
  be distributed and a code representing the information
  in correspondence with each other, and
- setting means for setting valid dates of the information registered by said registration means, said terminal having

communication means for communicating with said terminal, and

- display means for displaying the information distributed by said information managing server.
  - 2. The system according to claim 1, wherein the code includes identification information for identifying said terminal serving as a distribution destination of the information to be distributed.
  - 3. The system according to claim 2, further comprising:

inspection means for inspecting the valid dates of the information registered by said registration means;

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notification means for notifying, of predetermined information, said terminal serving as the distribution

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destination of information obtained from the identification information on the basis of an inspection result of said inspection means.

4. The system according to claim 2, further comprising:

inspection means for inspecting the valid dates of the information registered by said registration means and presence/absence of printing of the information; and

notification means for notifying, of predetermined

information, said terminal serving as the distribution destination of information obtained from the identification information on the basis of an inspection result of said inspection means.

- 5. The system according to claim 3, wherein the predetermined information includes information which prompts said terminal serving as the distribution destination to execute processing for the information.
  - 6. A control method for an information managing system having an information managing server for
- 20 distributing provided information, and a terminal for exchanging information with the information managing server, comprising:

a registration step of registering information to be distributed and a code representing the information in the information managing server in correspondence with each other;

a setting step of setting valid dates of the

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information registered in the information managing server in the registration step;

a communication step of communicating between the information managing server and the terminal; and

- a display step of displaying the information distributed by the information managing server on the terminal.
  - 7. The method according to claim 6, wherein the code includes identification information for identifying the terminal serving as a distribution destination of the information to be distributed.
  - 8. The method according to claim 7, further comprising:

an inspection step of inspecting the valid dates

of the information registered in the information

managing server in the registration step; and

a notification step of notifying, of predetermined information, the terminal serving as the distribution destination of information obtained from the

- 20 identification information on the basis of an inspection result in the inspection step.
  - 9. The method according to claim 7, further comprising:

an inspection step of inspecting the valid dates

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managing server in the registration step and

presence/absence of printing of the information; and

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a notification step of notifying, of predetermined information, the terminal serving as the distribution destination of information obtained from the identification information on the basis of an inspection result in the inspection step.

- 10. The method according to claim 8, wherein the predetermined information includes information which prompts the terminal serving as the distribution destination to execute processing for the information.
- 10 11. A computer-readable memory which stores program codes of control of an information managing system having an information managing server for distributing provided information, and a terminal for exchanging information with the information managing server,

  15 comprising:

a program code of a registration step of registering information to be distributed and a code representing the information in the information managing server in correspondence with each other;

a program code of a setting step of setting valid dates of the information registered in the information managing server in the registration step;

a program code of a communication step of communicating between the information managing server and the terminal; and

a program code of a display step of displaying the information distributed by the information managing

server on the terminal.

12. An information managing apparatus for distributing provided information, comprising:

registration means for registering information to

be distributed and a code representing the information

in correspondence with each other; and

setting means for setting valid dates of the information registered by said registration means.

- 13. The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the

  10 code includes identification information for identifying
  a distribution destination of the information to be
  distributed.
  - 14. The apparatus according to claim 13, further comprising:
- inspection means for inspecting the valid dates of the information registered by said registration means; and

notification means for notifying, of predetermined information, the distribution destination of information obtained from the identification information on the basis of an inspection result of said inspection means.

15. The apparatus according to claim 13, further comprising:

inspection means for inspecting the valid dates of
the information registered by said registration means
and presence/absence of printing of the information; and
notification means for notifying, of predetermined

information, the distribution destination of information obtained from the identification information on the basis of an inspection result of said inspection means.

- 16. The apparatus according to claim 14, wherein the predetermined information includes information which prompts the distribution destination to execute processing for the information.
  - 17. A control method for an information managing apparatus for distributing provided information,
- 10 comprising:
  - a registration step of registering information to be distributed and a code representing the information in a storage medium in correspondence with each other; and
- a setting step of setting valid dates of the information registered in the storage medium in the registration step.
  - 18. The method according to claim 17, wherein the code includes identification information for identifying a
- 20 distribution destination of the information to be distributed.
  - 19. The method according to claim 18, further comprising:
- an inspection step of inspecting the valid dates

  25 of the information registered in the storage medium in
  the registration step; and
  - a notification step of notifying, of predetermined

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information, the distribution destination of information obtained from the identification information on the basis of an inspection result in the inspection step.

20. The method according to claim 18, further comprising:

an inspection step of inspecting the valid dates of the information registered in the storage medium in the registration step and presence/absence of printing of the information; and

a notification step of notifying, of predetermined information, the distribution destination of information obtained from the identification information on the basis of an inspection result in the inspection step.

The method according to claim 19, wherein the

- predetermined information includes information which prompts the distribution destination to execute processing for the information.
  - 22. A computer-readable memory which stores program codes of control of an information managing apparatus for distributing provided information, comprising:
  - a program code of a registration step of registering information to be distributed and a code representing the information in a storage medium in correspondence with each other; and
- a program code of a setting step of setting valid dates of the information registered in the storage medium in the registration step.